

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MBABANE 2348

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDEV, RH, WZ  
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: OAU MEETING

REF: STATE 169971

1. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER RECEIVED CABLE GUIDANCE FROM FCO  
ON SATURDAY, JULY 8 TO EFFECT THAT HIS US COLLEAGUE "NOW  
HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE DEMARCHE AS ENVISAGED" ON OAU HANDLING  
OF RHODESIAN ISSUE (REFTEL). GUIDANCE CONTAINED UK-APPROVED  
REVISIONS PROPOSED BY DEPARTMENT.

2. AS OF 1530 JULY 10 WE HAD NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS  
MENTIONED IN FCO CABLE. BECAUSE CABINET MEETING MORNING JULY 11  
WOULD BE THE LAST ONE PRIOR TO PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTURE FOR  
KHARTOUM, I ACCOMPANIED HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PRESENTATION  
OF REFTEL PAPER TO PERMANENT SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS LATE  
AFTERNOON JULY 10.

3. PERMANENT SECRETARY AGREED TO PASS REFTEL PAPER TO PRIME  
MINISTER BEFORE TUESDAY CABINET MEETING AND SAID THAT, AS WE  
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KNEW, GOS POSITION HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT ALL PARTIES INVOLVED  
IN RHODESIA SHOULD TAKE PART IN DECISIONS ABOUT CONSTITUTIONAL  
DEVELOPMENTS THERE, I.E., OUTSIDE STATES SHOULD NOT DICTATE  
WHICH OF THE CONTENDING FORCES WOULD TAKE OVER LEADERSHIP IN  
RHODESIA (OR ELSEWHERE).  
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